

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are all the claims pending in the application. Applicant herein cancels claim 3 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Amended claim 1 incorporates the subject matter of original claim 3. Claim 1 now requires, in part:

a location obtaining unit that obtains location of said mobile station;

a visitor registration unit that registers said mobile station as a visitor station in said second country to have said mobile station capable of establishing a connection via a second network in said second country when said mobile station moves to said second country and requests for the registration; and

a reporting unit that reports said registration of said mobile station to said location obtaining unit,

wherein said location obtaining unit stores information about said registration of said mobile station in said information storing unit.

Therefore, amended claim 1 requires, *inter alia*, that a visitor registration unit register the mobile station as a visitor station in the second country so that the mobile station is capable of establishing a connection via a second network in the second country when the mobile station moves to the second country and requests registration.

With regard to original claim 3, the Examiner asserts that Toy et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,192,115; hereinafter “Toy”) discloses these features at col. 2, lines 16-26. However, Applicant notes that Toy merely discloses providing “a called party’s name and/or location.” See Toy, col.

2, lines 16-17. In other words, Toy fails to disclose a visitor registration unit that registers the mobile station as a visitor station in the second country so that the mobile station is capable of establishing a connection via a second network in the second country when the mobile station moves to the second country and requests registration. Consequently, Applicant submits that Toy fails to teach all of the required features of amended claim 1.

Furthermore, since claims 2-8 depend on claim 1, Applicant submits that Toy fails to disclose all of the required features of claims 2-8, at least by virtue of their dependency on claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of claims 2-8.

Additionally, regarding the Examiner's rejection of claims 9 and 10 as allegedly being unpatentable over Toy in view of Okoro et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,754,490; hereinafter "Okoro") and in further view of Dunn et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,138,008; hereinafter "Dunn"), Applicant submits that neither Okoro nor Dunn cure the deficiency of Toy, as noted above.

Likewise, regarding the Examiner's rejection of claims 11 and 12 as allegedly being unpatentable over Toy in view of Okoro in further view of Asano et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,991,721; hereinafter "Asano"), Applicant submits that neither Okoro nor Asano cure the deficiency of Toy, as noted above.

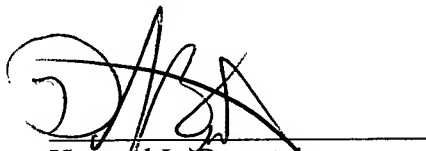
Similarly, regarding the Examiner's rejection of claims 13-16 as allegedly being unpatentable over Toy in view of Okoro and in further view of Dunn, Applicant submits that neither Okoro nor Dunn cure the deficiency of Toy, as noted above.

Therefore, Applicant submits that claims 9-16 are patentable over the applied references, at least by virtue of their dependency on claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of claims 9-16 for the reasons stated above.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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